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TITLE OF INVENTION: UNIT DOSE LOCKING CONTAINER

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### Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 0 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 0 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

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The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) experienced a system problem related to loading Notices of Allowability and Notices of Allowance and Fee(s) Due into the Image File Wrapper (IFW) system from June 5, 2009 to June 10, 2009. Certain attachments to the Notice of Allowability were properly loaded, but the Notice of Allowability and Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, accompanied by the text portion of the Notice of Allowability (e.g., the examiner's amendment and the reason for allowance), were loaded into IFW at a later date. The complete Notice of Allowability and Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due were made available to applicant to retrieve through Private Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR), including one who is a participant of the Electronic Office (e-Office) Action Pilot Program on the later date. Furthermore, the e-mail notification was sent later than the "Mail Date" on the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due accompanying the Notice of Allowability.

Accordingly, the time period for reply set forth in the Notice of Allowability and Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due that has a "Mail Date" between June 5, 2009 and June 10, 2009 is hereby restarted to commence on the "Mail Date" of the Corrected Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due accompanying the instant letter.

In addition, applicant must return the Part B – Fee(s) Transmittal that is attached to the Corrected Notice of Allowance And Fee(s) Due rather than the initial Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due.

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We apologize for the inconvenience. Thank you for participating in the e-Office Action Pilot Program.